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March 9, 1956 (OPINION)

PARK DISTRICTS

RE: Funds - Sponsor Baseball Team

We have received your request for an opinion, dated March 7, 1956, wherein you ask whether a park district board has the legal authority or power to use park district funds to help pay the expenses in connection with sponsoring and operating a junior legion baseball team.

A park district board has only such power as are conferred upon it by statute either specifically or by necessary implication.

There is no statute that we can find that confers upon a park district board the power to expend park district funds for the promoting of or the cost of sponsoring a baseball team, and we therefore hold that your park district board cannot legally so spend public funds.

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